

PEGGY JOYCE BACK-RESENTS SILENT TITLE

Has No Idea Why Men Gather Around; Not Buttery, but Serious Minded.

JACK DEMPSEY 'PEACH' ADMIRES HIS 'WHITE SOUL,' BUT ISN'T CONSIDERING ANOTHER HUSBAND.

BRINGS \$1,700,000 GEMS

Ready to Fight Movie Ban; Explains Suicide of Suitor in Paris.

Peggy Hopkins Joyce got back from Paris yesterday without any husband, she said, immediate intention of acquiring a fourth. She was laden with jewel cases, whose contents she valued at \$1,700,000, and has hired a detective bodyguard to protect them against the crime wave.

Her six trunks went to the appraiser's stores for examination and her jewels to the Custom House. Late in the afternoon all the gems were returned to her except a \$140,000 diamond and emerald plaque. She said her third husband, J. Stanley Joyce, bought the plaque, duty paid, from a carrier in Paris two years ago and she had never brought it to America before. The Collector of the Port doesn't doubt her, but will hold the piece for official verification. Her trunks probably will be released this morning.

The decision of the Motion Picture Theater Owners Association, made in Washington on Thursday, not to permit movies of her to be shown, disturbed her so that she clamped one of her feet and said that she was dead in America, if she, who had committed no crime, was really to be barred from the films along with criminals. Val O'Farrell, head of a detective agency, who met her at the pier and helped her retrieve her jewels, said last night that Peggy would make pictures just the same and would go to California in about three weeks for that purpose.

"It does not," he said, "a contract." O'Farrell was asked.

"Ask L. J. Selznick," he said.

May Appeal to Hays.

THE NEW YORK HERALD telephoned to Lewis J. Selznick's house. David Selznick answered. He was asked if the L. J. Selznick firm intended to produce any Peggy Hopkins Joyce pictures.

"I don't know," he said. "The idea never received serious consideration."

Miss Joyce, through her attorneys, William J. Fallon and J. H. Gilbert of 123 West Forty-second street, probably will try to have the theater owners association lift its ban. No lawsuit was contemplated, it was said at their offices yesterday, but a letter might be written to Will Hays setting forth the high character of Miss Joyce and asking that the injustice done her be corrected.

She arrived on the Mauretania with an English friend, Katherine Maloney, who has been on the stage. She wore a voluminous suit, coat, a small brown hat, a black silk crepe dress, a black silk stole and a black patent leather pump. She held fast to a heavy handbag containing the jewel cases. When reporters encountered her she asked "What do you mean by that?" and "What do you mean by that?"

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A maximum penalty for violations of \$5,000 or ten years imprisonment is provided. A Federal narcotics board is established by the measure to be composed of the heads of the State, Treasury and Commerce departments, who will be permitted to authorize the importation of such quantities of crude opium and coca leaves as may be found to have medicinal and other legitimate purposes.

Any alien convicted of violating the act shall, upon the expiration of his term, be deported under the terms of the measure.

School to Be American Memorial at Cantigny

WASHINGTON, May 12.—Erection of a schoolhouse at Cantigny, France, where Gen. Pershing in his official report declared American troops demonstrated their "fighting qualities under extreme battle conditions," has been decided upon by the National Geographic Society.

'AFRICAN GOLF' AIDS VOTE DEVICE SPYING

Detective Tells Hirschfeld How He Gained Confidence of Machine Maker's Son.

Poolrooms and African golf were injected yesterday into the voting machine inquiry being conducted by David Hirschfeld, Commissioner of Accounts.

Joseph F. Kennedy, the private detective who visited Jamestown to gather gossip about the Automatic Registering Machine Corporation, maker of the standard machine selected by the Secretary of State to be used in this city next autumn, was permitted to tell what he heard while playing pool and dice in a group with the son of the president of the company.

Charles E. Heydt, Republican member of the Board of Elections, admitted a development by issuing a statement saying that Commissioner Hirschfeld had refused his request that he be examined at once.

"I am in a position to give the Commissioner valuable information upon this subject and the reasons why Tammany Hall desires to keep voting machines out of New York city," said Mr. Heydt.

"He does not want the truth regarding this situation, but using his methods, already well known to the public, prefers to adduce such testimony, which through misinterpretation leads only to the drawing of hasty inferences against all public officials concerned with this matter from the Governor down."

Regardless of what he does, voting machines are coming and the paper ballot, with all the frauds committed during its use by Tammany Hall in New York city, is going. The courts will decide whether the law of 1922 is constitutional or not.

Kennedy, the detective testified he had worn workmen's clothes with the idea of getting information from employees of the Jamestown plant. He had been told Mr. Lausterer expressed himself as sure he would get the New York city contract as soon as he heard the bill had been signed by Gov. Miller.

One night he was in a poolroom at the Samuels Hotel with young Mr. Lausterer, Kennedy said.

"Do you mean where they bet on horses?" the Commissioner asked.

"Just tables and played pool." "Later they went up stairs to 'shoot' dice."

"What do you mean by 'shooting' dice?"

"Well, it is a game which is played with two dice having numbers on them and usually those making seven or eleven win," it was explained for the record.

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LITTLE EVA'S SPIRIT ARRESTED BAREFOOT

Policewoman and Two Men Raid 'Church' Seance in West 70th Street.

PAY \$2 TO GET INSIDE Then Order 'Congregation' Out as They Hold Man and Three Women.

CHIROPODIST SURPRISED

He Thinks Mediums Are Real Until His Wife Is Taken to Court.

Two detectives and a policewoman attached to the Fourth Inspection district raided a Spiritualist seance of the "First Spiritualist Church of New York," at 282 West Seventeenth street, last night and arrested four persons, charged them with disorderly conduct in operating fake seances for those arrested are Eva Thompson, 29, of 113 Market street, Evansville, Ohio, also known as "Little Eva," a medium; her husband, who describes himself as the Rev. William R. Thompson; Mrs. Anna Hartman, 44, wife of Dr. J. L. Hartman, a chiropodist, who occupies the first floor of the building where the seance was held, and Miss Alice Moriarty, 40, of 35 Hawthorne street, Brooklyn, referred to in cards as secretary of the "First Spiritualist Church."

Pay \$2 as Church Members.

Detectives William Haake and Andrew McLaughlin and Policewoman Genevieve McLaughlin eased into the room where the seance was to be held. They paid \$2, thereby becoming members of the "church," and got by the guard at the door without difficulty.

The room was well lighted. Thompson, who was directing the party, handed out slips bearing the song "We Shall Meet on That Beautiful Shore." All sang, the detectives joining in lustily.

Then all the lights, except one small light behind a dark curtain at one end of the room, went out. In a moment a filmy looking apparition was seen on the opposite side of the curtain, between the curtain and the light.

"Ah," exclaimed Thompson, rubbing his hands. "We have with us the spirit of Little Eva. Do not go close to the curtain. A touch would kill the spirit of Little Eva."

There was silence for a moment. Then the spirit mumbled something and added:

"Has any person here a deceased relative or friend?"

"Little Eva" as "Aunt Jemima." Whereupon Policewoman McLaughlin asked:

"Is that you, Aunt Jemima?" "Yes," replied a voice. "Are you alone or have you got your husband, Bob, with you?"

The policewoman turned to Detective Andrew McLaughlin, who is no relative of hers, and said:

"Here's Bob. Step up, Bob."

McLaughlin appeared nervous and afraid, so the policewoman took him by the arm and helped him a few steps toward the curtain. Then the spirit of "Little Eva" went on:

"You are going to be very successful in your next undertaking and anything you do now will bring you a good reward. You look well, Bob."

Possessed on Spirit.

The policewoman then appealed to Thompson for permission to have "Bob" move a little closer to the spirit. Thompson said it would be all right. McLaughlin leaped toward the spirit, tearing down the black curtain. The "spirit" was wrapped up in the curtain and wiggled about violently. McLaughlin, however, turned it over to the policewoman and to Detective Haake while he arrested Thompson. Miss Moriarty and Mrs. Hartman and advised the fourteen of the "congregation" to leave, as the show was over.

When the "spirit" of "Little Eva" was untangled from the curtain it proved to be Mrs. Thompson. She was dressed in white, with a white veil over her face, and was barefoot. The police also confiscated a small piano that could be played by electricity.

Hartman, the chiropodist, was on the first floor when he heard that his wife was mixed up with the affair. He appeared genuinely disappointed. He said the Thompsons had lived there about a month and had got quite a substantial following among persons interested in Spiritualism. Hartman said he thought they were the "real thing."

In Night Court before Magistrate Overbarger the prisoners asked for an adjournment. It was granted and they were held in \$1,000 bail each for a hearing May 16.

PSYCHIC SAYS SPIRITS TELL BEST OF FUTURE

BOY PURSETHIEF ROLLED UP TROUSERS AS A DISGUISE

When Chased He Would Disappear Some Place and Emerge as Youth in Long Leg Coverings—Made Much Money, With Women as Victims.

After Joseph De Vito, aged 14, of 923 Tinton avenue, The Bronx, had been arrested last night for purse snatching he explained to Detective Michael Hegney of the Simpson street station that he thought he had evolved a scheme that was unbreakable.

"Did you work that out all by yourself?" asked Detective Hegney, who has great admiration for original methods.

"Yes," said Joseph. "I don't like confederates because they usually are dishonest."

Joseph's undoing came last night when he robbed the purse of Mrs. Sarah Gotlieb of 1075 Home street, The Bronx. She was at Home street and Boone avenue when Joseph, with his short trousers pulled up behind her, grabbed the purse, which contained \$2, and then ran. Mrs. Gotlieb made a dash for it and caught him by the head. The crowd was so angry at Joseph for snatching Mrs. Gotlieb's purse that they threatened to beat him up and perhaps hang him to an "L" pillar. Police-men followed a taxi and took Joseph to the station, where he was charged with juvenile delinquency. He will be arraigned in Children's Court to-day.

More than thirty complaints have been received within the last month from women whose purses have been stolen by a boy resembling Joseph. Joseph himself, according to Detective Hegney, readily admits ten such thefts.

FIGHT ENDS BALL GAME OF SCHOOL FACULTIES

Erasmus Hall's Athletic Instructor Causes an Arrest.

How a baseball game between the fact Training high schools was broken up in the streets of Erasmus Hall and Manual the third inning by a fight over a ball was described yesterday when Joseph Cohen, 19, 1316 East Tenth street, Brooklyn, was arraigned before Magistrate Folwell in Flatbush Court charged with assault.

In the athletic meet held Thursday between the two schools at the Public Schools Athletic Field, Avenue K and East Fifteenth street, Brooklyn, the same number of points was run up by each. Therefore the game between the faculties, which followed, was unusually tense.

In the third inning Manual Training led, 1 to 0. William Stratton, athletic instructor at Erasmus Hall, was playing left field. One of the Manual players knocked the ball over the wire fence.

Stratton went over the fence after it. That's what the boy ready had grabbed the ball and was running away. Stratton recovered the ball, but several others set upon him. He alleges that Cohen was the first to strike him, and that Cohen then knocked him down.

Patrolman McMahon intervened and on Stratton's complaint took Cohen to the Parkville station. More than 50 persons followed. The ball game was not resumed. Magistrate Folwell paroled Cohen for a hearing next Tuesday. Stratton said that at a recent game seventeen balls were stolen.

BEER SMELLER REBUKED FOR HIS ALCOHOLIC TEST

Policeman's Method Impossible, Says Magistrate.

Skeptical of the ability of a policeman to ascertain the alcoholic content of beer by smelling it, Magistrate Gelsman in Adams Street Court, Brooklyn, yesterday, discharged Nathan Grandstein of 192 Columbia street, Brooklyn. Policeman William McDonald had charged him with having seven or eight bottles of "beer." The Magistrate said:

"Here we have a highly expert policeman who can save the city of New York money by supplanting the city chemist. This man swears under oath that he can tell the alcoholic content of beer by smelling it. My experience has been that one must drink considerable of it and wait at least twenty-four hours for the effect before he can do so."

"I must take judicial notice of the fact that this complaint is impossible."

BUCHLER, WHO OPPOSED O'MALLEY PLANS, QUILTS

Believed Henchmen Got Too Many Market Snaps.

Dr. Samuel Buchler sent his resignation as Deputy Commissioner of Markets to Commissioner O'Malley yesterday. He would not say whether he had had a disagreement with his chief.

It is known that for a long time Dr. Buchler has not been in sympathy with some of the methods of the department. He has protested many times against the taking of permits for a political henchman to take charge of a street market and charge each market man \$1 a week ostensibly for the service of keeping things clean. His protests have been in vain, however.

Dr. Buchler in a formal statement gave an increasing law practice as the reason for his resignation. "My resignation from office will in no degree lessen the friendly feeling and the high regard I have always maintained for Mayor Hylan and the Democratic administration."

No grief at parting from Commissioner O'Malley was expressed. Dr. Buchler has been in charge of statistics, production, storage, sale and distribution in the department.

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